Mentzer Family, Hagsfeld near Karlsruhe

16 (+17). Franz is the name of the author of a book which lists all of the church records in Baden. According to him, those of the parish of Neureut and Eggenstein were burned when the French destroyed Neureut in 1702 during the War of the Spanish Succession (1701-1714), Spanische Erbfolgekrieg. Thus the church records of that parish which are still in existence begin in 1702, long after Paul Meintzer was born.

18 (+20). "Anwaldt" = attorney, lawyer, solicitor. "Schultheiß" = village mayor, chief magistrate.

27 (+29). "gew. Bgr." = gewesener Bürger = (one who) had been a citizen = deceased citizen, dec. cit. "weyl." = weyland or weiland = a historical word used in the 18th century to mean "then deceased", essentially the same as "gew. Bgr.". In this case, (27), it means that old Hans Lang had died before Maria's marriage.

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